

**COMBINING USE OF A STEPWISE MARKUP
LANGUAGE AND AN OBJECT ORIENTED
DEVELOPMENT TOOL**

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a system and method for combining VoiceXML with an speech application development tool such as SALT. In one aspect of the present invention, a VoiceXML module 10 includes VoiceXML executable instructions. A SALT module includes speech application language tags to execute instructions associated with the VoiceXML module.